

## SENATOR MILLS

Author of a Resolution, to Be Introduced in the Senate,

Directing President Cleveland to Take Military Possession

Of the Island of Cuba and Hold It Until the Inhabitants Can Form a Government and Arm Themselves to Protect Them Against Invasion.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Senator Mills, of Texas, will Wednesday introduce the following resolution in the senate: Joint resolution directing the president of the United States to take military possession of the island of Cuba and hold it until its inhabitants can institute such governments as they may wish to organize, and arm such forces as may be necessary to protect them against invasion.

Resolved, By the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America, in congress assembled, that the president of the United States is hereby directed to take possession of the island of Cuba with the military and naval forces of the United States and hold the same until the people of Cuba can organize a government deriving its powers from the consent of the governed, and arm and equip such military and naval forces as may be necessary to secure them against foreign invasion.

### A SKIRMISH

In the Vicinity of Punta Brava Between Insurgents and Spaniards.

HAVANA, Dec. 9.—Maj. Cirujada, having received information that a force of rebels had arrived in the vicinity of Punta Brava, in the Havana province, started with his command in the direction of the rebels who are believed to be there. The Spanish troops met the main body of insurgents, two thousand strong, at San Pedro and engaged them in battle. The insurgents entrenched themselves behind stone fences, where they held the position until nightfall when they were dislodged and compelled to retire. The Spaniards then returned to Punta Brava. They lost in the fight three privates and three lieutenants and 25 privates wounded. Over forty of the rebels were left dead upon the field.

Ambassador Uhl's Daughter Married.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—The marriage of Miss Lucy Follett Uhl, of Grand Rapids, Mich., to Mr. Guy Van Gordon Thompson, of Yale university, was celebrated at the residence of the bride's father, United States Ambassador Edwin F. Uhl, Thiergartenstrasse, at 7 o'clock p. m. Wednesday. The ceremony was a strictly private function, attended only by the family of the bride, the nearest relatives and the staffs of the United States embassy and the United States consul at Berlin.

## PERMANENT CENSUS.

Commissioner Wright Sends a Report to Congress on the Matter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Carroll D. Wright, commissioner of labor, sent to congress Tuesday his report upon a plan for a permanent census service in accordance with the joint resolution of March 19, 1896.

Mr. Wright is satisfied that the true principles on which a permanent census to do the work of decennial census are all to be found in reports already made to congress. The expense of conducting a permanent census bureau and taking a decennial census, Mr. Wright estimates at an average of \$800,000 a year.

### Dong Sun Pardoned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The president Tuesday pardoned Dong Sun, sentenced in Southern California to six months' imprisonment for contempt of court, and Bee Mellon, sentenced in Western Arkansas to three years' imprisonment and fine for manslaughter. He has commuted to five months' actual imprisonment, the sentence of eight months' imprisonment imposed upon Margaret Morrison, Southern California, for smuggling opium.

### Will Not Lessen Spain's Honor.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—The Cologne Gazette expresses hope that the proposals made by President Cleveland will be approved by the Spanish government before a change in the United States administration shall take place, and adds that it is possible that the United States and Spain will reach an agreement which will pacify Cuba. The paper further says the president's suggestions in no way tend to lessen Spain's honor.

### Army Appropriation Bills.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The house military committee Tuesday considered the first draft of the army appropriation bill. This draft is drawn on the lines of the estimates, which are an increase of \$600,000 over the bill for the present fiscal year. Some consideration was given in the military academy bill, and it is said that both of these measures will be reported to the house and passed before the holidays.

### Washington's Official Vote.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 9.—The official canvass of the vote of the state of Washington was completed Tuesday afternoon. The total vote is 93,583, of which the Bryan electors received 51,646; McKinley 39,153; national democratic 1,608; prohibition, 908; national prohibition, 148. Bryan's plurality is 12,493.

Tobacco Manufacturing Plant Burned. WINSTON, N. C., Dec. 9.—The tobacco manufacturing plant of the Brown Bros. Tobacco Co., one of Winston's oldest firms, was destroyed by fire at 3 o'clock Wednesday morning, entailing a loss of \$150,000. The origin of the fire is not known.

### Oxford Beats Cambridge.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Oxford beat Cambridge at football at Kensington Wednesday by a score of 9 points to 8.

## ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Controller of the Currency James H. Eckels.

He Makes Remedial Suggestions on the Financial Stringency.

Places of Less Than 2,000 Population to Have National Banks, With a Capital Stock of Not Less Than \$25,000—To Do General Banking Business.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Controller of the Currency Eckels has considerable to say in his annual report about financial stringency and congestion, and he makes remedial suggestions of interest. Various amendments to the national bank act, looking to giving relief, are proposed by the controller, among them the following:

That in places having a population of less than 2,000 inhabitants national banks shall be permitted, under regulations to be made by the controller of the currency and approved by the secretary of the treasury, to be organized with a capital stock of not less than \$25,000, and with a corresponding reduction in the amount of bonds required to be deposited with the treasurer of the United States. That national banks be permitted under such regulations and restrictions as shall be made by the controller of the currency and approved by the secretary of the treasury, to establish branch banks in towns and villages where no national banks are established, and where the population does not exceed 1,000 inhabitants; such branch banks to have the right to receive deposits, make loans and discounts and buy and sell exchange, but in no case to be permitted to issue circulating notes other than of the parent bank.

He recommends "that legislation by congress, based upon safe and prudent lines, having in view the gradual payment and cancellation of the credit currency now maintained by the government and the issuance hereafter of all such currency through the banks with full responsibility therefor placed upon them, should be had at the very earliest practicable moment. The results which would follow such enactments would be beneficial and neither would monopoly be created nor favor shown thereby."

### AGAIN "DEAD."

Reported Death of Maceo and Gomez's Son Causes Rejoicing in Madrid.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—The Havana correspondent of the Imparcial has sent a dispatch to that paper which has caused rejoicing among the people of this city, who take it for granted that the statements made are true. The correspondent claims that he has personally made an investigation of reports current in Havana of the death of Antonio Maceo, second in command of the rebel army, and the son of Maximino Gomez, the rebel commander-in-chief, and found them to be true. In official circles the report is accepted with reserve.

It has already been officially announced about six times that Antonio Maceo has been killed, and there have been rumors innumerable to the same effect. Heretofore it has been the custom of the Spanish officials in Havana to announce the death of Maceo whenever he defeated the Spaniards either in strategy or open battle.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—The government learns from Havana that Maj. Cirufeda sent a battalion of troops to San Quintin Tuesday and obtained confirmation of the death of Maceo and young Gomez, son of the rebel leader, Maximino Gomez, the dispatch adding that Gomez committed suicide upon seeing Maceo dead.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The Spanish minister has received a cablegram from the Duc de Tetuan, minister of state at Madrid, which officially confirms the death of the Leader Antonio Maceo, and the suicide of the son of Maximino Gomez. The engagement is characterized as a "glorious battle fought by our troops."

### BAD IMPRESSION

Created in Madrid by President Cleveland's Message.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—The message of President Cleveland to congress wherein he treats of the Cuban question, has created a bad impression in political circles and depressed the bourse. In government circles great reserve is maintained, none of the officials displaying willingness to discuss the subject at any length, though some satisfaction is expressed that the message does not in any way advocate the absolute independence of Cuba and does not support the proposals to recognize the insurgents as belligerents. The opposition papers are greatly irritated by the threat of intervention on the part of the United States unless Spain speedily suppresses the rebellion. They declare that Spain is fully able to avert such action.

### The Edison Keith Estate.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The inventory of the estate of Edison Keith, of Edison Keith & Co., who recently committed suicide, was filed Tuesday. It is valued at \$1,371,000. He carried \$60,000 life insurance.

### Mrs. Matthews May Recover.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 9.—Gov. Matthews' wife was slightly better Tuesday. There has been no recurrence of the hemorrhage, and the physicians are now hopeful that she may recover.

### Albert Halstead Married.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Albert Halstead, editor of the Springfield (Mass.) Union, was married in this city Tuesday night to Miss Aline Wilcox.

## BOB FITZSIMMONS

Deprived of His Victory Through a Conspiracy by Sharkey and His Friends.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—It was rumored among the knowing ones Tuesday night that George Allen, one of the men who trained Tom Sharkey for his fight with Bob Fitzsimmons, had made a confession to the effect that Fitzsimmons was deprived of his victory through a conspiracy.

It is stated that he has made an affidavit, naming Wyatt Earp, Dan J. Lynch, Tom Sharkey and Dan Needham as the prime movers in the plot. The whole scheme is said to have been hatched at Sharkey's training quarters at Ocean Beach. It was arranged, it is reported, that Sharkey was to make it appear that he had been fouled at some point in the contest when he was in danger of losing from Fitzsimmons' blows; further, that the signal was to be given by Sharkey, who was to bend over and place his hand on his groin and at that moment Needham was to jump into the ring and claim a foul. Then the referee was to give the decision in favor of Sharkey.

When seen Allen refused either to affirm or deny the story of his connection with the affair. He said: "I intended to sail for Australia on the next steamer, but the turn affairs have taken will indefinitely postpone my departure."

Col. H. I. Kowalski, the legal representative of Bob Fitzsimmons, has brought suit directly against Tom Sharkey to recover \$10,000 which the defendant is alleged to be withholding from the rightful owner.

"This action," explained Col. Kowalski, "can settle the whole controversy in short order. If Sharkey, Earp, Lynch and that clique are in the right they can get in and prove it. If they are in the wrong they will bring up some technicality and cause delay."

"We will appear before Judge Sanderson and produce our witnesses. We will show that there was a conspiracy, by which Fitzsimmons was robbed of \$10,000, and the evidence we have in possession is overwhelming."

### Jackson's Fatal Day.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 9.—The date upon which Scott Jackson shall be hanged will be fixed by Gov. Bradley upon his return to the capital. The day in all probability will be some Friday late in January or early in February. Should the Walling case also be affirmed, and that is the prediction of the best attorneys familiar with the court of appeals, there is all likelihood that the two murderers of Pearl Bryan will meet death upon the same scaffold at the same time.

In an interview Wednesday morning Acting Gov. Worthington intimated that if he was called upon to act Scott Jackson would not hang. He thinks the punishment inflicted upon the two young prisoners too severe. He believes that they did not intend to take the life of Pearl Bryan.

### New Comet Discovered.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 9.—A telephone message to the Mercury from Lick observatory, says: A new comet was discovered at 11:30 o'clock Tuesday night in the constellation of Pisces by C. D. Perrin. Its position is right ascension, 0 hours and 54 minutes; declination 0 degrees, 20 minutes north. It is about as bright as a star of the eighth magnitude, and can be seen with a telescope of modern power. It has a sharp stellar nucleus of 10½ or eleven minutes of arc in diameter. There are indications of a short fan-shaped tail. It is moving rapidly south.

### The Strike at Shaw, W. Va.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from Piedmont, W. Va., says: The strike at the mines at Shaw, W. Va., on the West Virginia Central & Pittsburg railroad, has reached such a threatening stage that armed deputies have been placed at the mines to protect the new men at work. The strike came about over the method of weighing coal, which the miners claim is unfair to them. Sheriff Brown, with a force of deputies, has gone from Oakland, Md., to protect the interests of the company on the Maryland side, just across from Shaw.

### Ex-Congressman Williams Dead.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Benjamin H. Williams, a prominent attorney of this city, and an ex-congressman, is dead. He was born in Preston, Ct., in 1839. He served as city attorney, district attorney, state senator and congressman. He was a republican in politics. His wife, who survives him, is a sister of the late Gen. Steadman, of California.

### New Governor of the Philippine Islands.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from Manila says that Gen. Polavieja has assumed the duties of governor of the Philippine Islands. Gen. Blanco, formerly governor of the Philippine islands, has been appointed to the head of the king's military household.

### Denied Mail Privileges.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The post office department has denied the privileges of the mails to Lee Clarke & Co., alleged to be issuing bogus fire insurance policies. Similar action has been taken against the Standard Employment Co., of St. Louis.

### Bubonic Plague Spreading.

BOMBAY, Dec. 9.—The bubonic plague, which has been prevalent here for some time past, is spreading rapidly. There were 55 new cases and 39 deaths from the disease Tuesday. The mortality in the city for last week from all diseases was 1,000.

### Talmage Denies It.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The Evening Sun prints the following: Rev. Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage Wednesday denied the report of his engagement to marry Miss Susie Maugam.

## TURKEY'S FATE

Is Settled at Last by the Six European Powers.

The Obdurate Sultan, Abdul Hamid II., is to Be Coerced.

Constantinople and the Dardanelles Shall Be Placed Under European Protection—The Forts Must Be Dismantled and Passage Be Entirely Free.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Turkey is to be coerced. The sultan is to be reduced, in fact, if not actually in name, to vassalage. His fate will be made known to him probably before the end of the present week.

Russia, France and Great Britain has decreed it. Should he resist or fail to bow at once to the inevitable, then the combined fleets of those three powers will enforce their behest.

Such, in brief, is the infinitely welcome news which will bring relief and a sense of restored self-respect to the whole Christian world. It is not officially announced yet. It may even be discredited in certain quarters for a few hours as premature. But it can be affirmed, nevertheless, without reservation.

It was not until Tuesday that the full consummation was reached. Russia, France and Great Britain arrived at a substantial agreement on a plan of action last week. There remained the necessity of getting the consent of the other three powers which were signatories of the Berlin convention, Italy and Germany agreed without much demur. Austria hesitated long, and it was not until after Tuesday's emergency cabinet council in London, which discussed and approved the whole plan, that the Austrian ambassador notified Lord Salisbury of the rather unwilling assent of the government that the Russian, French and British fleets shall force the Dardanelles, if necessary, in the execution of the new policy.

The solution of the Turkish problem provides nothing so radical as a division of the Turkish empire. Such a project has not been for a moment considered. The integrity of Turkey will be substantially maintained. The terms of the new policy have practically been dictated by Russia. There are two or three versions in diplomatic circles of the policy at last decided upon. This is one: That Russia shall occupy the northeastern corner formed by the Bosphorus and the Black sea and extending to a point about half way down the Bosphorus; that Constantinople and the Dardanelles shall be placed under European protection, but shall remain under the rule of the sultan, the forts at the Dardanelles being dismantled and the passage becoming entirely free. No further change is suggested in regard to the integrity of the Turkish empire.

This includes also European supervision of some of the sultan's appointments.

### SPANISH CABINET

Holds a Meeting for the Consideration of President Cleveland's Message.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—The Herald says: The cabinet held a meeting Wednesday for the purpose of considering President Cleveland's message to congress. Ex-Premier Sagasta declared that the message is of so much importance that he will wait the receipt of the full text of the document before discussing it. Some of the Spanish newspapers declare that the message provokes Europe, not Spain alone.

The general opinion here is that the references to Cuba and Spain contained in President Cleveland's message to congress show that it is the intention of the United States to conform more and more to the Monroe doctrine every time a case arises to which that principle is applicable.

The cabinet, after debating the text of the message Wednesday, will form some definite judgment, which it is believed will result in a modification of the relations of Spain with the United States.

The Herald says that the president's message foreshadows the intervention of the United States in Cuba in March next, but adds that Spain will repel the arrogance of the American government.



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### CARLISLE'S ESTIMATE.

Of Appropriations Required for the Public Service for the Next Fiscal Year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Secretary Carlisle Monday sent to congress the estimates of appropriations required for the public service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, as furnished by the several executive departments. The estimates foot up \$421,718,970.00, against \$418,091,073.17, estimated for 1896-97, and \$432,451,605.98 appropriated that year. The estimates for 1899 by title are:

Legislative establishments, \$4,370,480.80; executive establishments, \$19,865,952.00; judicial establishments, \$907,120.00; foreign intercourse, \$2,082,798.76; military establishments, \$24,499,686.45; naval establishments, \$39,432,773.62; Indian affairs, \$7,279,325.97; pensions, \$141,398,580.00; public works, \$31,437,081.92; postal service, \$1,288,334.47; miscellaneous, \$56,344,216.68; permanent annual appropriations, \$12,078,220. Grand totals, \$421,718,970.00.

### American Accidentally Killed.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—A dispatch to the Le Journal from Marseilles says that an American colonist named Lund has been accidentally shot and killed by a detachment of French troops who had been sent to rescue him from the rebels who had attacked him.

### Little Business Transacted in the House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—After passing a number of house bills, most of them relating to local affairs in the territories of New Mexico and Arizona, the house at 3:45 p. m. Wednesday went into committee of the whole to consider and refer the president's message, and then adjourned until Thursday.

### Dingley Bill in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—In the senate Wednesday Senator Allen's motion to take up the Dingley bill was carried—yeas, 25; nays, 21; but the bill went over without action on the motion to refer. This was due to the limitation of the morning hour.

### Proposed International Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The department of state is in receipt of a note from the Belgian minister here conveying an invitation from his government to that of the United States to take part in an international congress, proposed to be held at Brussels in 1897, on the subject of labor accidents.

### Earthquake Shock.

DUNBAR, Pa., Dec. 9.—At 11:55 Tuesday an earthquake startled the people of this place. At first it was thought an explosion had occurred, but none has been reported. The shock was noticeable in several of the surrounding towns. No damage, except in the crockery, has been reported.

### Gen. Lee Goes Back to Havana.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Consul General Lee left Washington for New York, from where he will sail for Cuba. Before leaving here he had a conference with the president. The date of his departure is not known, but it is understood that he will take the first available steamer.

### Destructive Blaze in Montreal.

MONTREAL, Dec. 9.—Property to the value of \$300,000 was destroyed in this city Tuesday evening. The fire was in the most dangerous locality in the heart of the city. Many fine buildings were burned.

### Republican Caucus Called.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A caucus of republican senators has been called to meet at 10 o'clock Tuesday.

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## Here are a few Bargains for this Week.

Men's Overcoats, lined throughout with excellent Sergé cloth, substantially trimmed with strong sleeve lining—as good as any \$6.50 overcoat in the city.

4.50

Men's Overcoats in Blue and Black Kersey, strictly all wool and color guaranteed, elegantly lined and trimmed and equal to any \$9.00 overcoat in the city.

6.00

Men's very fine Beaver and Kersey overcoats in Blue, Black and Brown, splendidly lined and trimmed, silk piping cut in the latest fashion.

8.00

Men's suits in Blue, Black and Brown chevots, single or double breasted, all wool goods, guaranteed not to fade. Well made and trimmed.

5.00

Men's suits in overplaid, checks and Blue and Black chevots, splendidly made and trimmed, equal to any \$10.00 suit in the city.

7.25

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10.00

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